

# THE RICHMOND DISPATCH.

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## FIGHT WAXING WARM

INTEREST INCREASES AS THE DAY OF ELECTION APPROACHES.

## THE DEMOCRATIC OUTLOOK BRIGHT.

Chairman Eliason Discusses the Situation in a Most Hopeful Vein—Unprecedented Interest and Voluminous Work—Campaign Gossip.

The past week was a great one for the Democrats, and every day the enthusiasm of the supporters of Bryan increased, and just now it was at fever-heat, and the local members of the party were all anxious and impatient for the mighty battle of the ballot box, now less than ten days off.

Never before has a campaign so stirred up the people as has this one. Never before has the public been so eager for information on a great political question they voted upon it. It has never before started a campaign of such proportions as this term election. The demand for literature was great, and for weeks and weeks a large number of stores have been busy at all of their headquarters, sending out circulars and pamphlets, treating the discussion from every standpoint.

### THE CAUSE HAS GROWN.

And the result of the careful consideration of this mass of literature, which in some cases has been given days of study by those who are really anxious to vote, has been that the face, has been, has been given to the great question which stands now in the face, has been given to the cause of free silver, has grown, and the number of supporters of the white metal has increased, until now the movement has reached such a number that when the 2d of November arrives Bryan's forces will sweep the enemy off the face of the earth.

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### CITIES ALL OVER THE STATE.

No community has ever been responsible for the formation of as many political organizations in one. There are clubs and societies in every town and city, and similar associations in every county and town in the State. When a few business-men in the State will, in the parlance of the New-Yorkers, sweep the enemy off the face of the earth.

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### Mr. Lippcomb Smashed.

Mr. Stanley Lippcomb, of the firm of Stanley Lippcomb & Co., Eighteenth and Broad streets, with an accident in front of the Dispatch office yesterday afternoon. Mr. Lippcomb was driving in his buggy, and attempted to cross in front of east-bound Car No. 58. The motor man made every effort to stop the car, but the wheels slipped under the brakes, and the accident became unavoidable.

Mr. Lippcomb's buggy was badly smashed, though he himself was unharmed.

### Mr. Hines at Barton Heights.

Rev. W. P. Hines, the well-known evangelist, will begin a series of meetings with the Barton Heights Baptist church this morning. He will preach at 11 A. M. and at the latter hour every night this week. Mr. Hines, who is a native of Richmond, is the popular successor pastor for seven years of the West-Virgin church. Since his resignation of that post he has been engaged in evangelical work, and has been very successful.

### Mr. Goode Out Again.

The friends of Mr. Abner Goode, of Church Hill, who was quite badly hurt last week by riding into a taut rope and thrown heavily, is again on the street.

Mr. Goode is still somewhat deaf, but his physician, Dr. Garcin, thinks he will soon be as well as ever, and will be able to resume his business to-morrow.

### German Ladies to Meet.

There will be a called meeting of the German-American Ladies' Aid Association of the Virginia Hospital on Monday, October 26th, at 4 P. M. A large attendance is requested, as the ladies wish to arrange for the book reception which is to be given the end of the week.

### Mission Festival.

There will be interesting services in Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran church, 11th and Franklin streets, with the Rev. H. Walker, of York, Pa., will conduct the morning service at 11 o'clock in German. In the evening at 8 o'clock the Rev. Dr. W. H. Schubert, of Philadelphia, will hold an English service. Both services will be in the interest of the various missions of the church. A good attendance of the membership is requested at both services. All are invited. Mr. Walker is vice-president of the Eastern District of the Missouri Synod, and visitor of the Baltimore Conference District.

### At the Y. M. C. A. To-Day.

The mass-meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association this afternoon will address the Rev. J. Dickinson, of Selma, Ala., who has been spending his vacation in the vicinity of this city. Mr. Dickinson is a most interesting speaker, and for the past month has ably filled the pulpit of the church.

The boy meeting will be conducted by Mr. F. H. Merrill, the physical director, who will lecture on his subject "The Bible Picture Gallery." Mr. D. A. Hitchcock will play the cornet solo, while Master F. P. Cowardin will open the services with a drum-call.

### The First Lodge in Richmond.

Friday night in Concordia Hall, the first lodge of the Knights of the Mystic Shrine in Richmond was instituted, with a membership numbering 100. The new Shrine, which the Republicans possess, nominally, will have on the platform of the vote. If the voters can be induced to vote as they are bought, they may be against us. The general opinion is that the money will be taken out in the voting booth the voter will vote as he pleases. The chairman of the Democratic State Committee told the meeting that we had "ensured" the State was practically ours. A future meeting of the Shrine, however, will be held according to his wishes. We are holding a stiff fight against all the money interests, and our State Committee have hardly enough to pay postage of their literature sent out. We give them a lively run, however, for the money. And what you will do as well as you think in the old State. I have never had any fears about it there."

### LOCAL MEETINGS THIS WEEK.

A big meeting will be held in the Newell Hall at Chestnut Hill, Thursday evening. Messrs. W. M. Couling and E. A. Miller will speak, while arrangements are being made to secure that prominent orators to deliver an address. Ladies especially are invited to attend the meeting. The occasion will be enlivened by music.

### Last Day of His Supply.

For several weeks Dr. Hatchett has been preaching a series of historical sermons on Sunday nights. He will preach the fourth sermon in the series to-night on "King Saul Playing the Fool." The Doctor's people are busy preparing with a thick waterproof coat for the comfortable entertainment of the General Baptist Association, which will meet with them on the 13th of November.

### To Have a Box Party.

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### Presents with a Medal.

Mr. Moses Brown, an enthusiastic Grand Fellow, has been presented by Past-Governor Eliason with a medal in acknowledgement of his services in getting up new lodges last year. Mr. Brown organized six lodges, and is a member of one of them—Grady Lodge, No. 14, of South Boston.

Mr. Jackson Ward Silver Club will meet on Tuesday night at Silver Club Hall, 11th and Franklin streets, to lay his paper to rest.

A confirmation meeting will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings to-morrow night on Charles Young's premises, and the church is to be used.

Rev. John H. Eager, D. D., of Baltimore, has been engaged to supply this church during the month of November.

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